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THE REIGN OF AUTUMN.

The rust is over the red of the clover. The green is under the gray. And down the hollow the steel-winged swallow is flying far and away.

Fied are the roses, dead are the roses. The glow and the glory done. And down the hollow the steel-winged swallow flies the way of the sun.

In place of Summer a dread new-comer. His solon state renews. A crimson splendor, instead of the tender Daisy, and the daffodil dunes.

But oh! the sweetest, the full completeness. That under his reign are born! Sweet and yellow to apples melior. And wheat and milles and corn.

His frosts so hoary, touch with glory Maple and oak and thorn; And rising and falling, his winds are calling Like a hunter through his horns.

No thrifty sorrow, but just a mover, That comes when he is done. With warmish-a-beaming, and gold a gleaming. Like sunset after the sun.

And while fair weather and frost together, Color the world so gay. We must remember that chill December Has turned his steps this way.

And say, we as gather the house together, And pile the logs on the hearth, Helps us to follow the light little swallow 'E'en to the ends of the earth.

—Alice Cary.

ODDS AND ENDS.

MY GRANDMA.

My grandma sits in a rocking chair, By the window, in the sun; She wears a soft little lace cap, And a big white apron over her lap. And there's always room for a little girl there.

That's tired of frolic and fun. My grandma has always a pocket full Of peppermint drops and cakes; And she knows such pretty songs that she sings.

And stories about—oh, lots of things: And sometimes she lets me wind the wool For the stockings and things she makes. She told me a queer thing the other day, And she says it's really true.

My grandma had soft red cheeks one time, And hair that was just as black as mine; And she could run and tumble and play, And all the things I can do.

I wish I had known my grandma then; How very nice it would be. If grandma were little and played with me, Dressed up dolls and going to tea, And swinging, and watching the beetle hum, And climbing the cherry tree!

But when we were too tired out to play, And the sandman crept along, What about I do for my grandma's lap, And her songs to drowsy me into a nap? I'm glad my grandma is old and gray, While I'm just little and young!

—Alice Cary.

President Roosevelt's Speech at Memphis

The events of the past four years have definitely decided that whether we wish to or not, we must hereafter play a great part in the world. We cannot escape facing the duties. We may shrink them, if we are built of poor stuff, or we may take hold of them and do them if we are fit sons of our sires.

We are there (in the Philippines) and we can no more haul down our flag and abandon the island than we could now abandon Alaska.

If we had left, there would have been a brief period of blood and chaos, then some other nation would have stepped in to do the work which we had shirked.

The American flag stands for orderly liberty and it stands for it abroad as it stands for it at home.

The fullest and heartiest praise belongs to our soldiers who, in the Philippines, brought to a triumphant conclusion a war small indeed compared to the gigantic struggle in which the older men whom I am addressing took part in the early sixties, but inconceivably harassing and difficult because it was waged amid the pathless jungles of great tropical islands and against a foe very elusive, very treacherous and often inconceivably cruel, both toward our men and toward the great number of peace-loving Filipinos who gladly welcomed our advent.

The progress of the islands, both in material well-being and as regards order and justice, under the administration of Governor Wright and his colleagues, has been astounding.

In another Oriental country, whether ruled by Asiatics or Europeans, is there anything approaching to the amount of individual liberty and of self-government which our rule has brought to the Filipinos.

The Seckle Pear.

Philadelphia Record.

For many years there has been a little pear indigenous to this part of the country known as the Seckle pear. In recent years it has acquired great popularity, and it may be interesting to know that the original Seckle pear tree is still standing on one of the old farms down "The Neck," not far from the League Island navy yard, although it is now too old to bear fruit. The Seckle pear was perfected years ago by Adam Seckle, an old resident of that district, whose daughter, May Seckle, married George Pepper, of the well-known Philadelphia family of that name. She was the mother of George S. Pepper, who left about \$800,000 to charity some eight or nine years ago, \$150,000 of which went to the establishment of the free library fund.

Their Cattle Got Mixed.

Toledo Blade.

Kenon, O., Nov. 15.—Because David Spahr and Alpezo Emerine could not agree in regard to the division of a bunch of cattle, a writ of replevin was served on the latter. Emerine was driving a bunch of 85 cattle from West Mansfield to Fostoria. Near here he met Spahr with 14. The two bunches immediately mixed, and, in the ensuing confusion, Spahr refused to give up one of his cattle until the writ was served on him.

Emerine is one of Fostoria's wealthiest men. He owns a farm at West Mansfield, 1100 acres near Fostoria, the controlling interest in a Fostoria bank, and other business enterprises.

TYPHOID GERMS CARRIED IN MILK.

Six Sisters of Mercy in Hamilton Hospital Critically Ill of the Disease.

Special to Ohio State Journal.

Hamilton, Nov. 17.—It became known today that six of the Sisters of Mercy in charge of Mercy Hospital are critically ill of typhoid fever. One is so low that her recovery seems impossible.

The entire hospital is now in charge of nurses and sisters from Cincinnati.

The disease was conveyed, it is claimed by the health authorities, in milk from a farm near the city. Investigation shows that a well on this farm has become contaminated, and the disease has spread through the washing of the milk cans in the water.

No less than fourteen cases are traceable to this source.

HE PROVIDED WELL FOR WIFE AND FAMILY.

Eighty Thousand Dollars in Life Insurance.

Special to Commercial Tribune.

The late Archibald N. Waterhouse, of Philadelphia, who died recently in New York, held policies amounting to \$80,000 in life insurance. The forms of insurance under which these policies were issued were so selected that his widow will receive at once \$20,000 in cash and an annual income of \$3,000 for twenty years, and if she is living at the end of that period she will receive \$60,000 in cash, making the total amount received under these policies \$140,000, on which the premiums paid by Mr. Waterhouse amounted to only \$27,492.20.

AND IT A GIRL!

A Baby Born With Two Tongues.

Rochester, N. Y., November 17.—Mrs. John Meles, of Gates, gave birth to a baby girl yesterday, weighing nine pounds and in every respect a healthy and normal child, except that the infant possesses two separate and distinct tongues. Dr. Springer, who attended the mother, says the deformity is without a parallel. The child's tongue is not split, but one rests upon the other, the lower member being smaller than the upper, which is of normal size. The roots of both extend deep into the throat, proving that the second tongue is not an abnormal growth of the normal one. The child nurses without the slightest discomfort. An operation will be performed for the removal of the lower tongue, it being the opinion of medical men that it would grow to a size that would cause the child discomfort, if not produce suffocation.

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"BREAD UPON THE WATERS"

By HOWARD WILLIAMS

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John Nash, retired manufacturer, sixty-five years old and supposed to be still in possession of all his senses, did a most foolish thing. I had been his lawyer for six or eight years, but without asking a word of advice he fell into the hands of a sharper. When he was approached by a promoter who was striving to float a gold mine in a South American state and needed the influence of his name, the old man was flattered and listened to the vow of the tempter. The sharper pretended that he did not want any money from Nash. The name of John Nash on a prospectus as an investor and shareholder would be a guarantee to others. His first aim, of course, was to convince the old man that the mine in question was a good thing. He did this by lies, forged reports and false documents. This duplicity could have been exposed and the swindler sent about his business had Nash come to me or any other lawyer, but he determined to act on his own judgment.

In order to give matters a business look, as he put it, the promoter, whose name was Philbrick, passed over 10,000 shares to Nash at \$5 per share and in return required a promissory note due in six months. Then an agreement was drawn up to the effect that the notes should be invalid. This was to blind other investors. In plain words, John Nash sold his name for those shares and was assured over and over again that his annual dividends would amount to at least 100 per cent. By this explicit statement I have published my client not only as a fool, but as the willing confederate of a swindler, yet I have had to give facts to make my story clear.

Nash was made to believe that no one else would suffer if he got this stock gratis. The agreement was of course made out in duplicate, and the old man deposited his copy in the safe. Philbrick saw him at intervals, always making the most flattering reports about the mine, and everything went smoothly for a few weeks. Then, six weeks after the agreement was drawn up, on some excuse or other they were compared. After the comparison Nash returned his copy to the strong box, and that was the last he saw or thought of it for the next three or four months; in fact, until Philbrick walked in upon him one day and asked whether he would be ready to pay the note at maturity. Then it transpired that the supposed contract was no contract at all, but a vastly different document.

He took his departure by the door instead of the fire escape, leaving me dazed and speechless. Next morning I was an hour late at the office, and on my desk I found a large envelope which had come by messenger. It contained not only the copy of the agreement that had been ticked from Nash, but his promissory note for \$50,000. The afternoon papers came out with glaring headlines. Philbrick's office had been visited the night previous, his safe broken open and valuable papers carried away. Nash was an extraneous person named Sweetman. Born and bred for a parish priest in Ireland, he had come to this country and fallen upon evil days, being glad to get a job at street digging. President Quincy, passing one day, was amazed to see a red head emerge from a trench and quote in excellent Latin the lines from the "Bucolics" concerning the pleasures of the husbandman. He took the orator into his own service, but, finding him perhaps too much of a hand, turned him over to the law school. Here he became an autocrat. His professional duties, as popularly understood, he limited to opening the doors in the morning and locking them at night. He was deeply aggrieved if asked even to replace library books left on the tables and, seizing on the maxim so frequently used in torts, modified it to suit his own purposes thus: "Sic utere libris ut non laedas." But he invented other and higher maxims. He tended all the lectures and subsequently gave the speaker the benefit of his criticism on both delivery and doctrine. He exercised a general supervision over all matters connected with the school and in his later years became a terror to every one in or near it—Samuel F. Batchelder in Atlantic.

Mind Your Own Business.

An old custom once prevailed in a remote place of giving a clock to any one who would truthfully swear that he had minded his own business alone for a year and a day and had not meddled with his neighbors. Many came, but few if any gained the prize, which was more difficult to win than the Dunmow fitch of bacon. Though they swore on the four gospels and held out their hands in certain hope, some hitch was sure to be found somewhere, and for all their asseverations the clock remained stationary on the shelf, no one being able to prove his absolute immunity from unbecoming interference in things not in any way concerning himself.

At last a young man came with a perfectly clear record, and the clock seemed as if it was at last about to change owners. Then said the custodian, "Oh, a young man was here yesterday and made mighty sure he was going to have the clock, but he didn't. And why didn't he get it?" "What's that to you?" snapped the custodian. "That's not your business, and you don't get the clock."

OUR FASHION LETTER.

Tailor Made Dresses Show Much Fancy Strapping.

NEW IDEAS IN STREET GOWNS.

Chat About Dainty Accessories of Dress—Pretty Bolero Costumes Trimmed With Lace—A Novelty in Fur.

Pompadour and flowered silks of all kinds are very much the fashion. These beautiful silks and brocades are made up into evening gowns and cut very simply. They are often finished around the neck with a bertha of rare lace which almost hides the small sleeve puffs.

The flowered brocades are also handsome for lining evening wraps, the lining nowadays being more than two-thirds of the garment.

Three-quarter raincoats made of diagonal are very smart for rainy day and cool weather wear. They are

made with half fitted backs or else with the fullness belted in with a short strap.

The new tailor made dresses are very fancy in the way of tucks and strappings. Many of the skirts are made habit back and finished simply with three long strappings or one long and two short. The long skirts have fairly long trains, and the sides and front are very long.

Rough goods, sabelines and camel's hairs are worn on even dressy occasions when the tailor made is required.

The girl's tailor made illustrated is of dark blue cloth. The blouse jacket is laid in perpendicular folds stitched flat, the wide revers are of embroidery and the little vest is of the same. The skirt has a plain front breadth, and the sides and back have three good sources.

Russian House Suits.

Fashionable modistes are using a great deal of ecru and string colored lace on gowns for the autumn season, and if of the heavy guipure type this is most effective on brown, tan and the deeper blue tints of soft woolen material. The Russian blouse or coat is no longer of the plain belted order, but is varied in many ways.

Many of these blouses do not meet in front, but fasten over a plastron of cloth more or less decorated or embroidered, or there is a plain plastron of the material over which is arranged

Smart Fur Coat.

wish a fast dye. Imitation valence lace is, after all, the best and cheapest trimming for silk or linen underwear, and it is almost impossible nowadays to tell the imitation from the real.

Nothing is better than twilled silk for nightgowns when something hand-some and warm is required. The fullness of the back is belted in with a fur strap fastened down with steel buttons.

JUDIC CHOLLET.